INTRODUCTION

The Rebecca Sharp Clayton Papers, 1864-1875, are centered around Rebecca Sharp Clayton's diary and diaries of her family. The papers present a typical life in and around Carroll County, Tennessee. The Rebecca Sharp Clayton Papers are a gift of Mr. Ben Rush, Ruston, Louisiana, and Mrs. Eddie Hickman of McKenzie, Tennessee, through the agency of Mrs. Guy McMasters of Jackson, Tennessee. The papers occupy .48 cubic feet of shelf space, and number approximately 8 items.

Single copies of unpublished writings in the Rebecca Sharp Clayton Collection may be made for the purposes of scholarly research.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The Rebecca Sharp Clayton Papers, spanning the years 1864-1975, is composed of six photostatic copies and two transcripts of diaries belonging to Rebecca Sharp Clayton and other members of her family.

The diaries contain daily journals of William P. Sharp, 1874, 1875; Sally Sharp Gaines Ridley, 1866; and Rebecca Sharp Clayton, 1864, 1865.

CONTAINER LIST

Box 1

1. Diaries, Memoirs, etc. - 1864, Rebecca Sharp Clayton diary
2. Diaries, Memoirs, etc. - 1865, Rebecca Sharp Clayton diary
3. Diaries, Memoirs, etc. - 1866, Sally Sharp Gaines Ridley transcript and diary
4. Diaries, Memoirs, etc. - Rebecca Clayton diary
5. Diaries, Memoirs, etc. - 1874, William P. Sharp transcript and diary
6. Diaries, Memoirs, etc. - 1875, William P. Sharp diary